# STANDING COMMITTEE C

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS ON THE

# **MEDICINES INFORMATION BILL**

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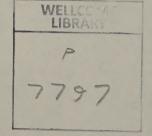
MEDICINES INFORMATION BILL—Read a second time and committed to a Standing Committee on 15th January 1993; allocated by the Speaker to Standing Committee C on 20th January.

The Committee was constituted as follows:

Sir John Hunt appointed Chairman, 10th February.

Mr Richard Alexander Ms Liz Lynne Mr David Atkinson Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Mr Piers Merchant Mrs Judith Chaplin Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr James Couchman Glenda Jackson Mr Tom Sackville Tessa Jowell Mr Malcolm Wicks

Mrs Judith Chaplin discharged 15th February; Mr David Willetts and Mr John Marshall added.





# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

#### WEDNESDAY 17th FEBRUARY 1993

#### Members present:

Sir John Hunt, in the Chair.

Mr David Atkinson Lady Olga Maitland Mr Hugh Bayley Mr John Marshall Sir Richard Body Mr Piers Merchant Mr James Couchman Mr David Nicholson Glenda Jackson Mr Giles Radice Tessa Jowell Mr Tom Sackville Ms Liz Lynne Mr Malcolm Wicks Mr Ian McCartney Mr David Willetts

Resolved, That during the proceedings on the Medicines Information Bill, the Committee do meet on Wednesdays at half past Ten o'clock.—(Mr Giles Radice.)

#### MEDICINES INFORMATION BILL

Clause No. 1 (Interpretation).

Amendment (No. 13) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Duty to maintain an index).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

Ordered, That the debate be now adjourned.—(Mr Giles Radice.)

Debate to be resumed on Wednesday next.

[Adjourned till Wednesday next at half-past Ten o'clock.

# WEDNESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 1993

. Members present:

Sir John Hunt, in the Chair.

Mr David Atkinson
Mr John Marshall
Mr Hugh Bayley
Mr Piers Merchant
Sir Richard Body
Glenda Jackson
Tessa Jowell
Ms Liz Lynne
Mr Ian McCartney
Lady Olga Maitland
Mr John Marshall
Mr Piers Merchant
Mr David Nicholson
Mr Giles Radice
Mr Tom Sackville
Mr Malcolm Wicks
Mr David Willetts

# MEDICINES INFORMATION BILL

Clause No. 2 (Duty to maintain an index).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Question put and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Access to information).

Amendments (Nos. 37 to 39 and 14 made).

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed in page 3, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

'(j) any reports of suspected adverse reactions experienced by persons to whom a licensed product has been administered,'.—(Mr Giles Radice.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 12

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr Piers Merchant Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 1

Mr Tom Sackville

Another Amendment (No. 16) proposed, in page 3, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

'(1A) Where representations of the kind referred to in paragraph (i) of subsection (1) above have been received by the relevant authorities, in relation to any report of results of the kind referred to in that paragraph, a copy of those representations shall be made available when supplying a copy of the report or results to any person under that section.'.—(Mr Giles Radice.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 11

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 2

Mr Piers Merchant

Mr Tom Sackville

Other Amendments (Nos. 17 and 40 to 42) made.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 11

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne

Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 2

Mr Piers Merchant

Mr Tom Sackville

Clause No. 4 (Access to safety, quality and efficacy data).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 4, to leave out lines 7 to 9.—(Lady Olga Maitland.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause disagreed to.

Clause No. 5 disagreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Restrictions on the provision of information).

Amendments (Nos. 21 and 43) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Giving of access).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

#### Ayes, 11

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 2

Mr Piers Merchant

Mr Tom Sackville

Clause No. 8 (Amendment of 1968 Act).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

#### Ayes, 11

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 2

Mr Piers Merchant

Mr Tom Sackville

Clause No. 9 (short title, commencement, and extent).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

# Ayes, 11

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowel Ms Liz Lynne Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr David Nicholson Mr Giles Radice Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 1

Mr Tom Sackville

A Clause (Financial provisions)—(Mr Tom Sackville)—brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 12

Mr David Atkinson Mr Hugh Bayley Sir Richard Body Glenda Jackson Tessa Jowell Ms Liz Lynne

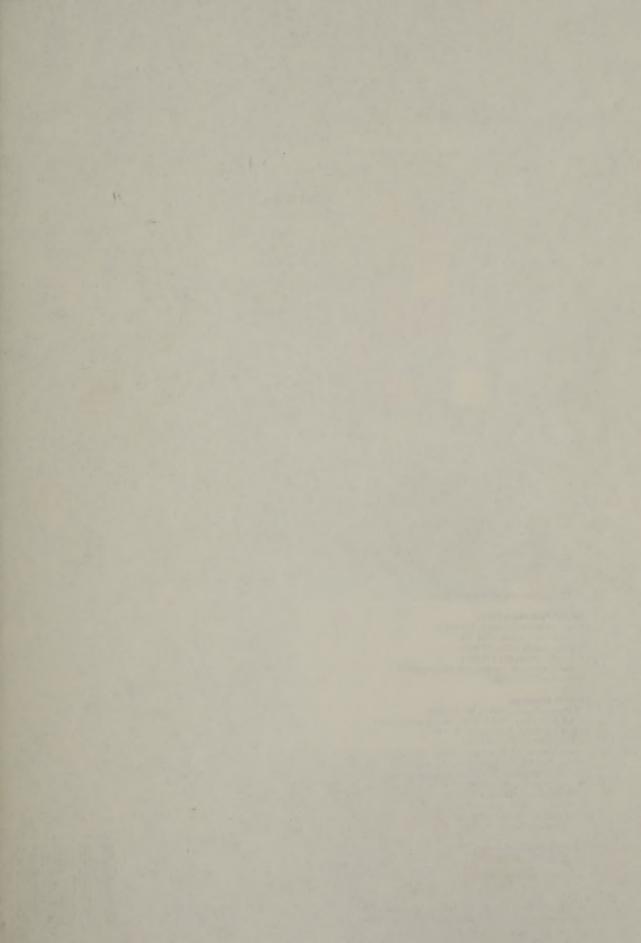
Mr Ian McCartney Lady Olga Maitland Mr Piers Merchant Mr David Nicholson Mr Tom Sackville Mr Malcolm Wicks

Noes, 1

Mr Giles Radice

Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.



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